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In the application of:

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For: METHODS OF PREVENTING AND  
TREATING RESPIRATORY VIRAL  
INFECTION USING  
IMMUNOMODULATORY  
POLYNUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES

Examiner: R. Schnizer

Group Art Unit: 1635

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE  
STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98, Applicant submits for consideration in the above-identified application the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of the documents are also submitted herewith. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

*SIDS based on Search Reports*

The documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 were cited in various Search Reports directed to counterpart international applications.

This Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

- ☐ Within three months of the application filing date or before mailing of a first Office Action on the merits; accordingly, no fee or separate requirements are required.
- ☒ Before the mailing of a first Office action after the filing of a request for continued examination under § 1.114; accordingly, no fee or separate requirements are required.
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  - ☐ A Certification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e) is provided below and a check in the amount of \* is enclosed.
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Applicant would appreciate the Examiner initialing and returning the Form PTO-1449, indicating that the information has been considered and made of record herein.

The information contained in this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 is not to be construed as a representation that: (i) a complete search has been made; (ii) additional information material to the examination of this application does not exist; (iii) the information, protocols, results and the like reported by third parties are accurate or enabling; or (iv) the above information constitutes prior art to the subject invention.

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Dated: January 14, 2003

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